by representatives of Congress(I), Akali Dal (Panthic), A.D. (Pheruman), S.A.D. (Longowal), C.P.I., C.P.I.(M), Janta Dal, B.J.P., B.S.P. and Janta Dal(S); Several suggestions were made by the participants. The Government has been taking appropriate steps for tackling the situation in Punjab from time to time.

Toning up of Civil Administration in Punjab

627. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister has directed the Punjab Government to provide the highest priority to toning up of Civil Administration in the State and also to ensure that grievances of the people are looked into;

(b) if so, whether the Punjab Administration has made any changes in the Administrative set up of the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and what impact it has on the activities of terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) The situation in Punjab is constantly under review. As part of the overall strategy to find a lasting solution to the problem, a number of steps have been suggested to the State Government to make the administration effective and secure the cooperation and support of the people in the fight against terrorism. The changes that may be required in the administrative set-up of the State will, however, have to be made by the State Government themselves. It is hoped that on completion of action on various suggestions the State Government would be in a position to effectively deal with the situation.

Army searches in Srinagar

628. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in some areas of Srinagar, army has been called to conduct house to house searches for militants;

(b) if so, the number of subversives arrested during the last two months in the Valley;

(c) the details of arms and ammunitions etc., seized from them; and

(d) the further action Government propose to take to apprehend the subversives in the Valley?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) Details are awaited from the State Government.

Seizure of fake driving licences and registration books in Delhi

629. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Crime Branch sleuths have unearthed a gang involved in the preparation of fake driving licences and registration books during the month of November, 1990 at New Delhi;

(b) if so, the *modus operandi* of these persons in running their illegal business;

(c) the details of the documents etc., seized and the persons arrested;

(d) whether the involved persons are having any link with the officials of Transport Authority; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and what further action Government propose to take against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.